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Yes sir, tomorrow's the big night--- the Auditorium is the place

and we'll be seeing you all out. There's still time to enter the contest. Grab a ticket seller and get your ticket from him. Then take a guess at what the temperature will be tomorrow night and from which direction the wind will be blowing, put it down on a piece of paper and give it to the

seller. (This must be done before 4 p.m. tonight).

The winner will be announced at the dance and he and his partner will be given the prizes. The floor is ready, the band's set, and all the crowd is going, so be on deck for our first dance of '39.

The Hi-Y Honor Roll, which is to be pre- sented annually to the

best all round student, will soon be on display. The selection committee has set out the regulations and the point system by which the winner will be ascertained. This year will be the first time the Honor Roll has been presented, and the winner will receive it after Easter.

"VIC ARGOSY" ADMITTED TO QUILL AND SCROLL

We were pleased to note the sign of the "Quill and Scroll" on the masthead of the "Vic Argosy," the school paper of Victoria High School, in Edmonton. We hope more Canadian high school papers will join the society and set out with the object of improving their papers and making journalism an accepted course in Canadian educational institutions.

Congratulations on your being admitted to the society.

Mr. Carscallen recently showed slides of mountain pictures

taken around Banff and Lake Louise by him, before the Camera Club. These pictures proved very interesting and received many comments and criticisms as to color, tone and various other qualities. The slides were made of Kodachrome film in most cases. There were many angles of the topic of mountain pictures which were discussed and proved of great interest to all members in attendance.

There are bound to be more exciting things taking place in this club all the time. If you have a camera and are the least bit dubious as to how to use it, remember the Camera Club meets in the Central Basement every Wednesday at 3:45. Be sure and come.

Stew McNeil always walks home with the same girl. Who is she, Stew?

Suppose someone asked you if you used frowners,

what would you think? You wouldn't know what to think! Well, the property department for Western's Dramatics Club could speedily give you the answer.

The "props" in "Stage Door"—the coming play—had listed, among other things, "frowners." Intrigued by this requisite your reporter questioned Miss Mitchell and found out that "frowners" are pieces of tape placed between the eyes at night, to prevent frowning wrinkles. There are a great many other items called for during the play—everything from eds to eyeshades.

Marian Gibson and Jean McDaniels, who are in charge of this department, are working as hard as the cast, although they will not receive the applause of the audience when the final curtain comes down. Without the complete co-operation of every unit the play could never be produced, but the Dramatics Club has worked so well they should produce their greatest success to date.

Well! Well! Folks, we were right about the Irving-Le Couteur break up. Johnny took Shirley Plummer to the "Radio Review." (It looks like the beginning of a beautiful friendship).

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WESTERN SPIRIT

RECENTLY the Council decided to hold a Pep Rally in support of the hockey teams. Due to the fact the inspectors were at the school it was impossible to call a general assembly, but the Auditorium was turned over to the students at 3:40 and arrangements were made for a short, snappy session. Well, it was plenty short—hardly anyone turned up.

This is a nasty thing for Western students who are really interested in their school. The Western teams at time of writing, are undefeated. They really merit support. Many players play in other leagues and their main idea is to help out the school by playing for it, not for any personal benefit.

With winning teams it should be a

great year for Western supporters, but what happens? They stay away from the hockey games in droves.

This is the most complete High School in Western Canada. Things come so easy to the student we imagine they feel they don't have to bother about anything. It would be better if students had to fully co-operate in order to gain certain objectives.

To those who are interested we predict Western will go through the season undefeated in both Junior and Senior leagues. However, the hockey is really good and it is a treat to win from those inferior institutions which base their claim to fame on the fact they beat Western in '04. So if you want some fun and you want to see some good hockey, go down to the Arena where Western's playing. You'll enjoy it.

CIRCULATION

ALTHOUGH good reporters and hard-working columnists are essential to a good school publication, the whole organization is vitally dependent on the circulation of the paper. That is, the people who sell the paper are the ones who determine whether the paper goes financially broke or remains stable. No matter how skillful the feature writers are or how funny the humorists are, without an efficient and dependable sales staff, the paper could not continue to be published on account of a lack of finances.

The Executive realize the above facts and would like to thank the students who have voluntarily taken it upon themselves to help make the "Mirror" a success by faithfully selling the paper each week. Hence, we say to those students who constitute the sales staff of the "Mirror" thank you, and keep up the splendid work!



"THE DOOR" TO BE PRESENTED BY OUR DRAMATICS CLUB

This year Western Canada's Dramatics Club has chosen "Stage Door" for its major production. It is a Fauflman-Ferber play and ran for almost two years on Broadway.

The action takes place in the Footlights Club, New York, which is a brownstone house on Fifth Avenue. It is one of those old houses whose former splendor has departed as the neighborhood has changed. It is now a theatrical boarding house where actors and actresses, "would-be thespians" and "has-beens" live. Their interesting lives are woven into a great drama of tragedy and success. The great human interest of this play has thrilled audiences both from stage and screen, although the screen version has been greatly changed. Look forward to this event. It will be well worth seeing.

TYPE OF PERFUME PRODUCT OF CHEMISTRY CLUB

Recently the essence of odors was the product of manufacture in the Chemistry Club meeting in the lab. in W-1. A brief business meeting was held at which it was planned for the club to have their picture taken for the Year Book soon. Following this the members went into the laboratory where they made some kind of perfume from a super-saturated solution. A very successful meeting was held.

KOREAN MISSIONARY SPEAKS TO GIRLS' HI-Y

Miss Mary Forstill has been asked to come to Western Canada High School on Thursday, Feb 9, to give a talk to the girls of the combined groups of the Junior and Senior Hi-Y's. Miss Forstill has spent much time in Korea as a missionary. She is expected to show the girls some very interesting pictures and folders, illustrating the life of the people in this part of the world as well as the present conditions existing there. In her speech she will relate some of the incidents that happened while she lived there, and outline her experiences. Because of her actual contact with the people of Korea, what she has to say should give the girls a good knowledge of Korean habits and customs.

BOYS' HI-Y CHOOSE NEW MEMBERS

New members were chosen for the Boys' Hi-Y to be accepted on a month's probation. In the near future there will be an initiation to formally enter all the new members taken in this year. It will be necessary to change some plans regarding possibilities of raising funds for sending delegates from the Western Boys' Hi-Y to the International Hi-Y Conference to be held in Winnipeg. There are several members very anxious to attend this conference. We wish them good luck and hope that they may go regardless of the problems of finance.

KI LO NOCK SORORITY PLANNING "TALLY-HO"

The Ki Lo Nock sorority has swung into its second year of activities. An election took place at the initial meeting of the new year when members met at the home of Miss Doreen Diamond.

Interesting arrangements are being made for a "tally-ho" party which promises the sorority and its guests an evening of grand fun.

TUMBLING CLUB SHOWING FAVORABLE PROGRESS

Forty members attended last week's meeting of the Tumbling Club. The boys are progressing favorably under the direction of Mr. Souter. Mr. Gislason is the wrestling coach, and is teaching about 10 members the finer points of the grappling game. Plans are under way for a wrestling meet with Crescent Heights. Bill Hamilton and Bob Dingman are making the arrangements.

OMEGA SIGMA TAU GATHERS AT STU MUNRO'S

With a great line of business on hand the club met at the home of Stu Munro. Since it was decided by the Acatec staff that only group pictures would be accepted for fraternities and sororities in the Year Book, the Club arranged to have a picture taken and submitted in the near future.

Plans for the Annual Easter Parade on April 10th at Penley's Academy were discussed. Following the business meeting, refreshments were served. In all a very successful meeting was held.

Undefeated Western Trims Hilltops

Corry Wins Senior Tilt With Fine Last-Minute Goal; Score 4-3

With but two minutes remaining to play, Walter Corry skirted the defence after picking up a rink-wide pass from Bobby Steedman, and scored the winning goal in a 4-3 victory over Crescents at the Arena last Tuesday, Jan. 31st. Western maintained her undefeated record, but it was anybody's game until the final whistle. Action was fast and at times rough and as a climax a free-for-all broke out after the game.

Al Neal scored the first goal of the game when he split the defence and beat the Crescent goalie with a hard, high shot. Swart tied the count, but Bobby Steedman scored to put Western one up. Maissey's goal knotted the score at 2-2. Perrin Baker got the only goal of the second frame, but early in the third Tarves again tied the score. Then with but two minutes remaining Steedman passed from one blue line to Corry on the other and Walter barged in to score the winning goal.

Western Line-up — Cormack, Cosgrove, Neal, Steedman, Norbury, Corry, Baker, Steel, Cohen.

BADMINTON CLUB

The Badminton Club consists of 55 members and they are planning on holding monthly tournaments. They are also thinking of engaging a badminton coach from the Glencoe Club.

Jack "Curly" (Two Mile) Doyle combs his hair once a week now. It is rumored, folks, that Iris Trim is responsible for this miracle.

WHO'S WHO IN WESTERN SPORT

Although Mr. Parry, the Junior hockey coach, has not participated in many sports, he has played a lot of basketball and hockey. He



MR. T. M. PARRY

got his first start in Coleman (a real place in which to learn hockey), where he played on the High School team as a forward. Players didn't have the advantages in those days that they do now, Mr. Parry stated. While in the Pass, he also played school basketball. Mr. Parry continued his two major sports at the University of Alberta, where he played Inter-Faculty hockey and basketball with the Engineers.

Mr. Parry is now in his third season as coach of the Western Junior hockey team. Two years ago he guided his team to a league championship, but lost out last year. However, this season with a galaxy of stars, he expects to win another Junior title. When asked about his team's chances, the coach said:

"Unless anything unforeseen happens we will win that Junior championship, as my team is better balanced than it was two years ago."

JUNIORS SCORE SECOND SHUTOUT

After a scoreless first period, Western's powerful and well-coached Juniors turned on the pressure with some fine unselfish passing which counted for five pretty goals as C.C.I. went down to a 5-0 defeat at the hands of Parry's men at the Arena, Saturday, Jan. 28th. It was Western's second shutout. Point makers in the second period were Smith from Gordon, Smith unassisted, and Les Armour from Benstead. Les Armour scored two more goals in the third and Benstead got both assists.

Coach Parry juggled his team a lot as an experiment and it worked to perfection.

Western Line-up—Goal, Steele; defence, Smith, Gordon, Greenberg; forwards, Bens'ead, Anderson, Aitchison; subs, Gostick, Cad-dick, L. Armour, A. Armour, Cook, Burluck, Jefferies.

Fisher (using phone): Give me twenty-two, twenty-two.

Central: 2222?

Fisher: Yes, hurry up. I'll play train with you later.

No wonder the little duckling
Wears on its face a frown;
For it has just discovered
Its first pair of pants are DOWN!

When Hickey is not rolling old tires down Fifth Street he occasionally notices something, and as a result we have scandal. What he noticed was that Dave Garland walks an awful long way home with Marg Snell and never seems to run out of conversation.

Senior Hockey Schedules Released

SECOND HALF HOCKEY SCHEDULES RELEASED

The second half of the Senior and Junior Interscholastic Hockey League schedules have been released and appear below. All games are to be played at the Arena and will start at 4 p.m.

Seniors

Monday, Feb. 6th—

St. Mary's at Western

Tuesday, Feb. 7th—

Crescents at Central.

Monday, Feb. 13th—

Crescents at St. Mary's.

Tuesday, Feb. 14th—

Western at Central.

Juniors

The Juniors play doubleheaders every Saturday morning. All Western games start at 10 a.m.

Saturday, Feb. 4th—

(1)—Western at Crescents.

(2)—St. Mary's at Central.

Saturday, Feb. 11th—

(1)—St. Mary's at Western.

(2)—Crescents at Central.

GAMMA TAU WILL MAKE DONATION TO ACATEC

A similar donation to that given last year in support of the Acatec will again be made by the Gamma Tau sorority. This was the decision when 12 girls of the sorority met at the tea hour at the home of Betty Lunn. The secretary-treasurer, Shirley Campbell, gave a satisfactory financial report in reference to their successful dance of Jan. 13th.

President Betty Mirtle brought up the subject of new members. It was suggested the younger girls be included. A discussion followed. A sorority party is to be held shortly.

SENIOR BASKETBALL TEAM DEFEATED BY CRESCENTS 31 TO 24

In the first home game of the Interscholastic Basketball League Western lost a very thrilling contest to Crescents by a score of 31-24. The game was played last Thursday, Feb. 2nd. It was the second time this season that the Hilltops had defeated the tri-color. The visitors displayed a much faster team on breakaways than did Western, and it was only until well on in the last half that the locals could make any headway.

The sensational Gordie Burrell, held to a single basket in the first half, opened up in the final frame and rolled up 10 points to lead the Western scorers. Jim Gulick played a stellar defensive game at guard and also scored two field baskets. The combination of McLennan at guard and Carlson at centre for the Crescents, proved too much for Western, and they managed to stave off a last-minute Western drive for victory.

Western Line-up: Burrell (12), Allen, Brown (2), Jamieson (2), Smith (3), Baker, Gulick (4), Lust (1), Kindt, Guldner, Main.

House League

Results of House League basketball games for last week are:

XI-A, 14; X-F, 4.

XI-B, 15; XI-K, 9.

X-G, 30; X-M, 12.

"Quick, give me my husband!" said the wife of the 'murderer', phoning the penitentiary.

"Sorry, madam," said the polite warden, "your party has just hung up."

SENIOR AND JUNIOR GIRLS' BASKETBALL TO START FEB. 10th

The girls' Senior and Junior basketball schedules have been released and under the arrangement doubleheaders will be played.

Western and Crescents are the only schools represented. The league winner will be the first team to win three games after Feb. 10th. The minimum is five games and the maximum is seven.

Friday, Feb. 10th—

Crescents at Western.

Wednesday, Feb. 15th—

Western at Crescents.

Friday, Feb. 24th—

Crescents at Western.

Thursday, March 2nd—

Western at Crescents.

Friday, March 10th—

Crescents at Western.

Wednesday, March 15th—

Western at Crescents.

In the season's opener, Western divided a double bill when the Seniors defeated Crescents 14-12, and the Juniors lost 22-12 to the same school in the Hilltop gym. last week.

JUNIOR GIRLS' HI-Y

On Tuesday, Jan. 31st, Group B of the Junior Girls' Hi-Y entertained Group A at a skating party at Mount Royal rink. After a couple of hours' skating the party adjourned to the home of Margaret Munson where they were served hot-dogs and coffee. Everyone had a marvellous time and hope to have more of the same thing in the near future.

Overheard in hall—"Gord" Humphries: Boy, do I wow 'em. (We don't know just what he was referring to).



Well, here we are again. We looked in the "Scandal Box" the other day and found one contribution. This, we found to our utter dismay, was addressed to the "Mirror" editor, so you see we really didn't have any contributions at all, 'cause . . . oh, well, let it go. Anyway we aren't blaming you much after what we did with your last contributions. However, we were talking to "Denny" and he says that if anybody can catch him before he has paid his "Herald" bill and in his right mind, he'll sure stick to his word and that case of "Koke" will be forthcoming for the winning poem! So let's have those rhymes and anything else you think is good enough for the "Scandal" pages.

—ED.

Names make news. This week Archie Mackay's name makes the news as it is linked with Aileen Foulston's.

J. Beavers: Sweetheart, I love you terribly.

S. Plummer: You certainly do.

L. Himmelman: I can't see what keeps you from freezing.

J. Rutledge: You aren't supposed to.

'S funny how a man's best friend always comes running to us with all the dope on him, isn't it, Jim? Jimmy, while we're on the subject, has been going with "Dutch" for some time now. It's marvellous how some people can stand each other!

St. Peter: Where are you from?

Prospect: California.

St. P.: Come in, but you won't like it.

Levy, a tailor, is on the point of dying. His family stands tearfully at his bedside.

"Sarah, my wife, are you there?" asked the doomed man wearily.

"Yes, my dearest."

"And Isaac?"

"Yes, Pappa."

"And Jacob?"

"Here, Father."

"And Rebecca?"

"Here, darling Pa."

(You can see that this has unlimited possibilities, but to get on with the story).

"Und mine little poy, David?"

"Yes, Father."

"Then who's at the cash register in the store?" came the feeble but angry question.

Say, are we calling 'em. 'Hank' Cormack and Mary Pierce must have love. She's taking him to the Co-ed dance on the 16th, and he took her to the "March of Tune." (That's the old community spirit.)

We are always receiving letters asking us to give you more Scandal, and yet we don't get more than two or three pieces of scandal a week from the "box." To print scandal we must have your help and support. Use the Scandal box.

Jim Jardine writes to Kelly all over his books and he's thinking of writing a book on justifiable homicide. (Not mad, are you Jimmie?)

C'mon "Potty." Quit it. Those "Koke" bottles hurt when they hit you!

MARRIED? Take the 'Mirror' home to the wife and kids!

Rastus had returned home sooner than usual, and when his wife heard him come in she hurriedly hid one of her boy friends under the sofa. When Rastus entered the room he looked slowly around, reached into his pocket and calmly drew forth a razor. His terrified wife asked:

"Rastus, what are you all goin' to do?"

"Dinah," he answered, "if'n them feet under the couch don't belong to nobody, I'se gwine to shave."

Mitch Irwin wanders around the halls singing "This must be love because I feel like—well it just must be love, that's all." We've had our suspicions about Mitch and Kay for a long time. (We got 'em some time around the beginning of the war of the Spanish Succession.)

We'd like to draw your attention to the fact that this really happened. It's sort of a classroom boner—on the part of the teacher:

Mr. Harding: "What's the name of that drink like cocca that ends in 'ite'?"

Irwin (who is hoping for a laugh): "Ovaltine!"

Mr. H.: "That's it! That's it!"

A fool and his money are some party!

Mervin McCamon seems to have a crush on Audrey Buchan. It's just about time he was giving the girls around Western a break.

VISUAL EDUCATION IS TOPIC OF TALK

**Feb. 15th Meeting of Home
and School Assn. Will Be
Addressed By Mr. Bowden,
Science Teacher**

"Visual Education" is just another sign of our changing times. It used to be that school "kids" had to memorize dozens of drawings of chemical factories and try to visualize what they looked like. They had to look at a map of England and try to imagine what a road in Surrey, lined with hop vines and orchards, looked like, or what the ruins of Athens were like. They would hear about such and such a spot in history, and probably never see it in their 70 odd years on this continent. Nowadays all this is

brought to them with the new school films.

At the monthly meeting of the Western Canada Home and School Assn. on Feb. 15th, Mr. Bowden will indicate to the mothers just what is the idea of this new visual education, and just what the faculty of Western Canada High is doing about it.

After the discussion period which follows his address, girls of Miss Rogers' cooking class will serve tea. This tea is an annual project of the cooking classes. They must plan, prepare and serve the luncheon, and then, of course, clean up after it. Altogether Mrs. Wyckoff and the social convening committee seems to have arranged for a very interesting meeting, and all mothers are urged to attend. Remember, February 15th.

The sawdust resulting from the sawing of diamonds is black (just in case you were thinking of cutting any on the clean tablecloth).

Wimmin are better than men, maybe:

Painted faces,
Bulgy places,
Always sponging,
Never spreading.
Funny names,
Worse "janes,"
Never ready,
Not steady.

Sure, wimmin are better than men . . . MAYBE!

Gordy Weir, our walking flagpole, has found a girl who is tall enough to talk to him without getting sunburned tonsils. Her name is Betty Law. (Nice going, Gord.)

Gerry Grant seems to have fallen at last. She is seen very often with Gordy Irving, who is a student of Central. When seen he is always moving swiftly, because every time he stands still the electric light department starts draping wires and hanging lights on him. (Well, I betcha he's six foot eight!)

There are some things that we all like to think about in our idle moments, but which hardly ever seem to happen. For instance, a car like Lil Snyder's Uncle Herbert's. But our idea of a heaven-sent gift is a fight between Bill Levy and Bill James in which (this is the nice part) both land a fatal blow.

Ken Jensen and Eileen Flewelling are seen together in the halls and we refuse to believe it's fate.

A GAME OF SPEED

There's a clash of steel,
The banging of sticks,
They skate down the ice,
At a most speedy "lick."

He's at centre ice,
He eludes the defence,
Then cuts in on goal,
This player has sense.

He now waits for the goalie
To make the first move,
Then lets his shot go,
For the corner 'tis grooved.

The puck sags the hemp,
The red light goes on;
The other team's chances
Are practically gone.

They face-off at centre,
There's seconds to play,
But there goes the bell,
The Hawks won the fray.

And so on in hockey,
Many games end this way;
One goal makes the difference
In an end sad or gay.
—S. FOWLER.

WALT DISNEY'S TRIUMPH

The most astounding thing in the history of the films is the fact that a picture without a star actor or actress to help it, is making a fortune for its creator. I am referring, of course, to Walt Disney's "Snow White."

It is even more wonderful to find animated cartoons becoming as popular, or even more popular, than the performances of film actors.

Walt Disney is to go on with his wonderful work and make a new full-length picture every year. He is as modest as he is successful, and is never satisfied with even his own amazing accomplishments.

—D. SHAW.

McAfee's Meanderings

There seems to be quite a fad for screwy poetry at present. To be in tune with the times I thoughtfully plagiarized a good example of this type for your approval.

Sing a song of sixpence
A pocketful of rye,
The bottle must have busted.

Here is the deep dark drama of the week:

The scene is left to the imagination of the reader. A woman, young and beautiful, sits in an easy chair. At her feet kneels a handsome young man whose eager face looks into hers. Her brain is in a turmoil. A riot of conflicting emotions rages in her mind. She is torn between an outraged sense of justice and her pride and self-respect. This struggle can be clearly seen by the anguish on her features. Finally she comes to a decision.

"Stop! Stop!!" she cries. "This can't go on."

"Very well, madam," replies the shoe salesman, "we'll try a larger size."

"Cud" Collins has been creating quite a furore about the school by his impetuous actions. Apparently he does not limit his actions to school time, however, for there's one of our post grad co-eds sporting a beautiful shiner as a result of "Cud." If you see me with dark glasses on you'll know "Cud" has been impetuous again.

A man in a Balkan town is reported to have offered a friend 20 bottles of beer in exchange for his wife.

All I can say is that it couldn't have been good beer.

Better to have loved a short
Than never to have loved at all.

While wandering about the halls the other day, with my mind actively engaged on nothing in particular, I was started, to say the least, by a notice on the bulletin board which said, in calm, black letters:

"Postponed—Probability of cold after sundown."

After taking the next period off to count my fingers and make sure that all my apples were present and accounted for, I still could not figure this minor masterpiece out. I feel that writer undoubtedly has something there—perhaps he could go on to state that most of the ice in the Arctic regions is not artificial; or that 90 per cent of the water that flows over Niagara Falls never comes back; or that rubber balls can be made to bounce; or that no matter how transparent glass is you can still see through it; or that—well, you can see the possibilities of this sort of thing.

The first Council dance of the year comes off tomorrow night at 8:30 in the Auditorium. Shirley Plummer promises to have something mildly super-colossal on hand in the way of entertainment, so how about showing that you're supporting the Council by coming to the dance?

And then there was the co-ed (Class of '41) who wanted to know if a neckerchief was the head of a Sorority.

(Dedicated to the Alpha Sigma Rho in general). (How to die young).

I have received what might definitely be called a threatening letter. While I feel this isn't of much interest to anyone, I think it should be printed to show you what well-meaning persons like myself have to put up with. Here it is:

My. Dear Mr. McAfee:

I have read your column since it started and have found nothing seriously wrong with it (unless you call spelling mistakes, errors in grammar, corny jokes, defamation of character and libel serious). But now, NOW! adding insult to injury, after defaming our beautiful organization—the O.G.F.A.—you get the name wrong!! For your info., you cad, the name is OUR Girl Friends' Association—O as in oful, U as in union, R as in rong! From now on we call you Dirty Ole McAfee. We have you.

Sincerely,

R. GOODISON,

(Sec. O.G.F.A.)

P.S.—And don't blame it on the typesetters.—R.G.

RADIO CLUB MEMBERS RECEIVE LICENSES

Flash! Melvin Riley, Art Moore and Jack Rothwell have just been granted their Government Experimental Radio Licenses. These three students are members of the Radio Club of this school.

The license which they obtained gives them in Canada the status of radio amateurs. The "calls" granted to them as operators are as follows:

Melvin Riley, VE4AKU; Art Moore, VE4APX, and Jack Rothwell, VE4TK. The school and the Radio Club extend best regards or (73's) to you, and we wish you the best of luck in contacting other amateurs all over the world.

Bob (Boy, I'm Good!) Gibson just can't talk about John Moore. He's got it so bad he gets tongue-tied every time he tries to tell us about her.